

**TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF JUNE 6, 2019**

ROLL CALL: The meeting was brought to order on June 6, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Roll Call: W. Felch, J. Hintz, B. Salm were in attendance. Also present were T. Birchell, T. Fleming, J. Jontry and 6 others. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES: A MOTION (Hintz, Salm) was made to accept the Minutes of the May 16, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

TOWN CREW REPORT: T. Fleming reported the crew spent three days working at Simon, Fork and Voight roads. Two buoys on the Pike Lake chain required repair. Gravel was added on Lone Pine Road and we are awaiting gravel to do Cy's Drive; Golat & Engel should be here in the next couple of weeks to do crushing. T. Fleming stated the Ocker farm wants to be given five years of dump "privileges" in exchange for rock for crushing. B. Felch stated we could maybe do it for one year. T. Fleming then stated we need five years' worth and there is nobody else we can get rock from. In the past Ockers have given us the rock free of charge. B. Salm stated it would not be legal for the Town to enter into a barter agreement with them. B. Felch will contact the Wisconsin Towns Association to determine how we might be able to do this. J. Hintz told T. Fleming to find out exactly when the crusher will be coming and ask Ocker for an exact dollar amount for the rock. After B. Felch speaks with the WTA a special meeting may need to be called. The crew is catching up on grading in the Federal; Fishtrap, Smith and Hemlock all need gravel. Regarding Dam Road, a resident there wants 150 yards of gravel; B. Felch stated he would have to obtain it on his own as the Town is not in the business of selling gravel.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS: **Fire Department #1:** R. Lobermeier reported one fire call for a grass fire on Highway 13 and three first responder calls. The lawnmower races went well and he is still awaiting the final figure on funds raised. The Flambeau Float and Pig Roast is coming up on June 8th. Fireworks have been ordered for July 6th. **Fire Department #2:** T. Birchell reported two first responder calls. The department will have a training session with Park Falls next week. No recent news on the new fire truck. The department had a meeting last night regarding the fish locator that was stolen; since the insurance deductible is greater than the value of the equipment, they are looking into purchasing a true sonar device similar to what the DNR uses. T. Birchell asked the Board if the Town would reimburse a new recruit for EMR class tuition (approximately \$800); B. Felch and J. Hintz stated we would.

CEMETERY REPORT: M. Behling provided her report to J. Jontry. One space was sold in May; two spaces were marked for headstones; Palacek did one grave opening. T. Fleming stated that the well at the cemetery has been repaired.

DISCUSS SIGNAGE FOR OPENING ROADS YEAR-ROUND FOR ATV/UTV USE, TO BE INCLUDED IN ORDINANCE No. 86 AMENDMENT: J. Hintz stated it would be most expedient and cost-effective to sign just the roads entering town. "Local Access" signs can be posted as needed. T. Fleming indicated he will coordinate with G. Revak and the crew will install the signs to ensure the sizes and posts are correct.

DISCUSS AND ACCEPT TOWN INSURANCE PACKAGE RENEWAL QUOTE FROM HORTON GROUP: J. Jontry presented the quote from Horton Group. A MOTION (Salm, Hintz) was made to accept the Town Insurance Renewal Policy in the amount of \$22,132. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

DISCUSS AND ACCEPT ROUTE SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR LIBERTY TIRE RECYCLING: Tires dropped off at the transfer sites will now require fees of \$4 each for passenger tires and \$7 each for pickup and SUV tires; large truck tires will be \$12. A MOTION (Hintz, Salm) was made to accept the Route Service Agreement for Liberty Tire Recycling. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

DISCUSS AND APPROVE EXPENDITURE FOR REPAIR/REPLACEMENT OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT MOVRICH PARK PER QUOTE FROM RAINBOW PLAY SYSTEMS OF \$2,017: T. Fleming stated that portions of the equipment are unsafe and in need of repair or replacement. L. Tesmer will pick up next week; J. Jontry will request an updated invoice from Rainbow excluding the delivery charge and sales tax and cut a check for Lee to take along. MOTION (Hintz, Salm) was made to approve the expenditure for repair/replacement of playground equipment at Movrich Park in the corrected amount of \$1,362. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

DISCUSS RESCHEDULING OF JULY 4th BOARD MEETING DATE: The Board unanimously agreed to skip the first bi-monthly meeting in July. As a reminder, the July 18th meeting will be held at the Pike Lake fire hall.

DRIVEWAY ACCESS PERMITS: One driveway access permit for Stauske was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: B. Felch provided an update on the Squaw Creek project. Howard Brothers got the contract and wants to make a structural change to put sheet piling on both sides, then pour concrete “pedestal walls” prior to removing the culvert and replacing each end separately. This would require an additional \$5,000.

CORRESPONDENCE: J. Jontry received a letter from the USDA regarding a proposal to construct a fish passageway connecting the Pike/Round Lake chains with the south fork of the Flambeau River; an e-mail from Richard Mace requesting the crew not mow along ditches in the Pike Lake area again this year in order to preserve milkweed for monarch butterflies; an e-mail from the Price County Highway Department regarding a weight restriction on County Highway W at the Long/Wilson culvert; an e-mail from Thomas Nicholls inquiring about crack sealing on Walnut Street this summer; a letter from the U.S. Department of Commerce requesting participation in the 2020 Census New Construction Program; a letter from the Division of Transportation Investment Management requesting public comment on an application for a high structure (antenna tower) permit.

REVIEW INVOICES: A MOTION (Hintz, Salm) was made to accept invoices for payment. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

ADJOURN: A MOTION was made at 8:05 p.m. (Salm, Hintz) to adjourn. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer J. Jontry
Town Clerk/Treasurer